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In re Application of  
Hiroyuki MUKAI et al  
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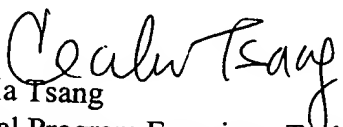
PETITION DECISION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed July 15, 2002, requesting accelerated examination under Part VIII of MPEP 708.02.

Applicants' petition has been carefully reviewed. All the requirements under MPEP 708.02, VIII have been met. Accordingly, the petition is granted. Prosecution of the application will proceed according to the procedure set forth under MPEP 708.02, VIII, there is no provision for "withdrawal" from this special status.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

Should there be any questions regarding this decision, please contact Cecilia Tsang by mail addressed to Director, Technology Center 1600, Washington, D.C. 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-0254 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 305-7230.

  
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